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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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with request for urgent debate
pursuant to Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure
on the Moscow Olympic Games

The European Parliament,

- conscious of the propaganda advantage which was given to the Nazi regime by the participation of athletes from the democracies in the 1936 Olympic Games,
 - recognizing that the greatest violation of human rights is caused by military aggression and grave threats to international peace,
 - recalling the resolution on the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan adopted at the last session of the European Parliament,
 - shocked by the increased persecution for political reasons of Soviet citizens of which the arrest of Academician Sakharov is the latest example,
1. Calls upon the National Olympic Committees of the Member States of the European Community to consider joint action to express their abhorrence of Soviet oppression and aggression by deciding not to attend the Summer Olympic Games in Moscow and use their influence to persuade the International Olympic Committee to cancel the Moscow Games;
 2. Instructs its President to forward this motion to the President of the Commission, the President of the Council and the Presidents of the National Olympic Committees of all Member States.

JUSTIFICATION OF THE REQUEST FOR URGENT DEBATE

The need for National Olympic Committees of Member States to take an early decision on locating the Olympic Games.